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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicants : Vagim, et al.
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Examiner : Debra F. Charles

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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LETTER OF ABANDONMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby requests that the above identified application be abandoned on February 10, 2006 in favor of a copending continuation application. Applicant takes issue with examiner's office action mailed on August 11, 2005 and does not agree with his reasons for rejecting all pending claims. The merits of the issues raised by the examiner may be addressed in the continuation application.

February 10, 2006

Respectfully submitted,
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